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**Human Factors / Ergonomics Expert**

**HUMAN FACTORS and ERGONOMICS EXPERIENCE**

Over 22 years of experience in the researching, designing, and evaluating driver performance, roadway safety, pedestrian safety, control-display design, consumer and commercial products and equipment, safety and hazard analyses, risk perception, and design of warnings and instructional materials.

- **Warnings:** Assess the adequacy of warning labels, signs, and user manuals to communicate hazards, motivate compliance, and improve safety. Assess the effect of the warning design and presentation as well as situational and inter/intra personal factors on compliance and risk taking behavior.
- **Vision and Driving:** Assess issues related to visual perception, reaction time, and expectancies along with lighting and roadway conditions related to vehicle collisions. Investigation of pedestrian knockdown collisions, collisions involving stop or slow-moving vehicles, and collisions related to lack of positive guidance and adequate roadway signage.
- **Motorcycle:** Assess rider actions and visibility.
- **Slips, Trips, and Falls:** Determine how attention and perceptual issues affect a person's ability to detect and avoid slip, trip, and fall hazards. Standard of care for building owners/operators and retailers to ensure safe walking surfaces in public spaces.
- **Work Place Safety:** Assess work place and equipment design and safety procedures on incident occurrence and prevention.
- **Recreational and Sporting Activities:** Perceptual abilities and reaction times and how these human factors affect people's ability to safely interact with recreational vehicles, sporting equipment, firearms, and swimming pools.
- **Lighting:** Environmental lighting analysis and its effect on people's ability to notice and recognize walkway and roadway hazards.
- **Accessibility:** Evaluating consumer and commercial products to meet Section 508 of the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- **Aging:** Assess the effects of aging on older adult's ability to read product labels and warnings; operate motor vehicles including night driving and vision, perception/reaction time and roadway navigation; and wayfind in the built environment including the effects of changes in gait, walking ability, and detecting and avoiding walkway hazards.
- **Medication Labeling:** Assess people's ability to notice, read, and understand medication labeling and advertising.
- **Product Design and Development:** Developed a variety of hardware and software interfaces and support materials for a wide range of consumer and commercial products, including: graphical user interface designs, laptop and desktop computer systems, wireless systems, input devices, storage devices, visual displays, user guides, installation wizards, safety manuals, web sites, and an eXtensible markup language (XML).
- **User Centered Design:** Carried out User Centered Design processes and activities within all phases of the product design and development cycle, including: task analyses, competitive evaluation, focus groups, iterative usability testing, and design validation.

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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

2015 to  
Present **Vigilante Forensic**  
*Principle*

Provide technical investigations, analysis, reports, and testimony toward the resolution of commercial and personal injury litigation involving human factors/ergonomics, safety and risk perception, warning design, product design and development, industrial/workplace safety, roadway safety, driver performance and night vision, and premises safety.

2003 to  
2015 **Robson Forensic, Inc.**  
*Associate*

Provide technical investigations, analysis, reports, and testimony toward the resolution of commercial and personal injury litigation involving human factors/ergonomics, safety and risk perception, warning design, product design and development, industrial/workplace safety, roadway safety, driver performance and night vision, and premises safety.

**Fournier Robson, Inc.**

Consulted with manufacturers in the design, development, and/or assessment of product warnings and accompanied literature for consumer and commercial products.

2001 to  
2003 **ARCCA, Inc.**  
*Forensic Scientist*

Consultant for consumer product and safety hazard litigation. Provided background research, written reports, and testimony.

1998 to  
2003 **International Business Machine Corporation**  
*Human Factors/Usability Engineer Consultant*

1998 - 2002

- Worked with internal IBM clients to conduct usability studies; report user feedback data and recommendations; and transform results and recommendations into product design decisions.
- Provided human factors support in the design and development of a data mining program used to research and create action plans for failures reported from in-the-field storage servers.
- Provided human factors support in the design and development of storage servers and tape library systems.
- Provided usability support and evaluation in the design and development of IBM's eXtensible Markup Language (XML) and software interface updates to the IBM information development editors that support the new XML.

*Human Factors Engineer*

1998-2002

- User Centered Design (UCD) team lead for the IBM Personal Computing Division's T and S series ThinkPad laptop computers and wireless development.
- Initiated and implemented software and hardware product design changes resulting from focus groups, iterative usability testing, and heuristic reviews during the product development cycle.
- Conducted competitive assessments to evaluate products ease-of-use against major market competitors.

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- Inputted into the functional specifications and designed the user interface for the IBM Access Connections™ network connection wizard.
- Section 508 Accessibility assessment of products developed within the ThinkPad and Options development teams.
- Worked within a cross-industry team to define user interface specifications and guidelines for the development of SIG qualified Bluetooth products.

**1997 to International Business Machine Corporation**

**1998** *Human Factors Engineer Co-op*

Developed and conducted focus groups and usability test sessions for the assessment of various Internet and Intranet web sites. Developed and implemented web based surveys to obtain user data. Recommended and implemented design changes based on usability results.

**1995 Pennsylvania State University, Center for Cumulative Trauma Disorders**

*Ergonomics Researcher*

Performed on-site video recording, data collection, and data analysis for biomechanical task analysis. Collaborated with other team members to identify injury risk factors and develop solutions to reduce or eliminate worker exposure.

**1994 to North Carolina State University, Department of Psychology**

**1997** *Academic Advisor*

Implemented and maintained an academic advising program for the psychology department. Responsible for advising undergraduate psychology students in scheduling their course work and progression towards a B.S. degree.

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

**1994 to North Carolina State University, Department of Psychology**

**2001** *Research Assistant*

Conducted research examining the factors that affect the adequacy of warnings and product user risk perception. Specialized in the format and layout designs of operator manuals, on-product warnings and instructions, and Direct-to-Consumer web site advertisements for prescription medications. Supervised undergraduate students in a grant project focusing on the readability of over-the-counter medication labels. Worked with students from the NCSU Cognitive Ergonomics lab in developing original research projects related to visual and auditory warnings and risk perception.

**1992 to University of Scranton, Department of Psychology**

**1993** *Research Assistant*

Conducted literature reviews, designed a computer program for a reaction time experiment, collected and analyzed data. Instructed and proficiency tested students in word processing programs and statistical applications. Worked with students developing original research projects. Conducted literature reviews, collected data, analyzed results, and performed other research duties for a research study examining the prediction of relapse rates for dually diagnosed psychiatric in-patients.

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**EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Psychology/Ergonomics, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, 2001

M.S., Psychology/Ergonomics, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, 1997

B.S., Psychology/Cognitive Track, University of Scranton, Scranton, PA, 1993

**PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION**

Board of Certification in Professional Ergonomics, CPE #2019

**WORKSHOPS and CONTINUING EDUCATION**

- Ensuring Pedestrian Safety in Work Zones:
  - Webinar 28961: The American Traffic Safety Services Association. September 2012
- Safety and Emergency Response Training, Confined Space Safety, FIRECON, 2009
- Stairway Usability and Safety, Part 1: Uses and Falls by Individuals:
  - Workshop 1: Human Factors and Ergonomics Society 51st Annual Meeting. October, 2007 Instructor: Jake Pauls
- There Goes the Sun: Driver Vision and Behavior during Dusk and Darkness Workshop 145:
  - 86th TRB Annual Meeting January 2007. Instructors: John D. Bullough, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; James R. Sayer, University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute; David M. Burns, 3M Company
- Human Factors Principles in Auditory Displays and Warning Signal Design
  - Workshop 8: Human Factors and Ergonomics Society 49th Annual Meeting. September, 2005. Instructors: John G. Casali & Jeff A. Lancaster, Virginia Tech
- Sound/Noise Measurement Basics with Specific Application to Human Factors Research and Practice
  - Workshop 12: Human Factors and Ergonomics Society 48th Annual Meeting. September, 2004. Instructors: John G. Casali & Gary S. Robinson, Virginia Tech
- Risk Assessment and Human Reliability: Some Practical Tools for Improving Safety
  - Workshop 125: 83rd TRB Annual Meeting. January 2004. Instructors: Dennis C. Bley & John Wreathall, The WreathWood Group; Joseph Myers, US Coast Guard; Emile Roth, Roth Cognitive Engineering
- Human Factors Approach to Accident Analysis and Prevention
  - Workshop 2: Human Factors and Ergonomics Society 47th Annual Meeting. October 2003. Instructors: Scott A. Shappell, Federal Aviation Admin.; Douglas A. Wiegmann, University of Illinois
- Motorcycle Safety Foundation:
  - Basic Rider Course (certificate)
  - Off-Highway Motorcycle Course (certificate)
- Raymond "Safety on the Move" Forklift Certification Program (Stand-up/Sit-down Reach/Counterbalanced trucks), Jan 2014

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**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS and AFFILIATIONS**

**Member:**

- American Society of Safety Engineers
- Human Factors and Ergonomics Society
  - Safety Technical Group (past and present) Program Chair
- Illuminating Engineering Society
- Transportation Research Board

**Reviewer:**

- Applied Ergonomics
- Ergonomics
- Human Factors and Ergonomics in Manufacturing
- International Journal of Human Factors and Ergonomics
- Proceedings of the Annual Human Factors and Ergonomics Society Meeting
- User-Centered Consumer Product Design Award: HFES Product Design Technical Group

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